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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

DOCKET FILE COPY ORIGINAL MM Docket No. 99-153 In re Applications of READING BROADCASTING, INC. File No. BRCT-940407KF For Renewal of License of Station WTVE(TV), Channel 51, Reading, Pennsylvania TELLEPIAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION and ADAMS COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION File No. BPCT-940630KG For Construction Permit for a New Television Station On Channel 51, Reading, Pennsylvania

TO: Administrative Law Judge Richard Sippel

CONSENT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Section 1.205 of the Commission's Rules, Reading
Broadcasting, Inc. ("Reading"), by its attorneys, hereby requests a ten-day
extension of time, to and including Thursday, November 11, 1999, within
which to submit its opposition to the Motion to Enlarge Issues (Unauthorized
Transfer of Control and Misrepresentation/Lack of Candor) ("Motion") filed
on October 20, 1999, by Adams Communications Corporation ("Adams").
Reading's response normally would be due on November 1, 1999. This
request is timely made because it is being filed before the time for

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performance and is not otherwise limited by statute. In support of its request, Reading sets forth the following:

In addition to Adams' *Motion* that is the subject of the instant consent motion, Adams filed, on October 18, 1999, a separate motion to enlarge issues. Reading currently is preparing its opposition to that motion, which is due to be filed on October 28, 1999. Further, as Reading advised the Presiding Officer at the Prehearing Conference held on October 19, 1999, Reading is preparing a pleading that will address, *inter alia*, the conflict question that Adams had raised and withdrawn.

The issues set forth in both of Adams' pending motions to enlarge issues, as well as Reading's pending pleading, are complex. Requiring the filing of Reading's opposition to Adams' *Motion* by November 1, 1999 will substantially prejudice Reading's rights and undermine the Presiding Officer's fair consideration of the facts, as it would unduly restrict counsel's ability to examine the relevant records, research the applicable law, and draft a well-reasoned brief.

An extension of ten days will allow counsel for Reading to provide a careful, thorough and well-reasoned opposition to Adams' *Motion*. Without the benefit of Reading's well-reasoned opposition, the Presiding Officer will be unable to adequately review the merits of Adam's *Motion* and Reading's opposition thereto. Accordingly, grant of Reading's consent motion will assist

the Presiding Officer in making an expeditious and legally correct decision which, in turn, serves the public interest.

On October 25, 1999, the undersigned contacted Harry F. Cole of the law firm of Bechtel & Cole, counsel for Adams, and James Shook, counsel for the Enforcement Bureau of the Mass Media Bureau seeking consent for the relief requested herein. Both Mr. Cole and Mr. Shook have graciously consented to such ten-day extension.

Therefore, for good cause shown, Reading respectfully requests that the date within which to file its opposition to Adams' Motion be extended to and include November 8, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ellen Wallace, a secretary in the law firm of Holland & Knight LLP do hereby certify that on October 25, 1999, a copy of the foregoing Consent Motion for Extension of Time was delivered by hand to the following:

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